

**MINUTES**  
**OCTOBER 20, 2020 DIGITAL/HYBRID MEETING 6:30pm**  
**PUBLIC HEARING/TOWN BOARD MEETING**

1. CALL TO ORDER/PLEDGE TO FLAG- Stated by each Town Board Member
2. ROLL CALL

|                                     | PRESENT | ABSENT | ZOOM |
|-------------------------------------|---------|--------|------|
| Supervisor John C. Reilly           | x       |        |      |
| Council-member Nichole Martini      |         |        | x    |
| Council-member Pat Odell            |         |        | x    |
| Council-member Eric Mortenson       | x       |        |      |
| Council-member John Fraser Paterson | x       |        |      |

**MONTHLY THOUGHT:**

**All things on earth point home in old October; sailors to sea, travelers to walls and fences, hunters to field and hollow and the long voice of the hounds, the lover to the love he has forsaken. Thomas Wolfe - Novelist**

**NEW BUSINESS SECTION 2020**

1. Public Hearing on 2021 Budget with modifications from September: 2021budget posted/attached.

Motion to open Public Hearing CM Mortenson Second CW Odell

Vote 5 Yes 0 No

**Resolution 2020-37:** The Gallatin Town Board resolves first to open the public hearing for the 2021 budget. **Resolution 2020-38:** The Gallatin Town Board resolves second to close the public hearing for the 2021budget. **Resolution 2020-39** The Gallatin Town Board resolves to approve and pass the Gallatin town budget for 2021.

Adjustments:

Mortgage tax is almost double 2019- \$29,000 to 2020- \$51,000 budget adjusted from \$30,000 to \$45,000.

Sales tax- on line and retail making up shortfall. It is now 3% down

From \$105-\$110,000 maintenance of streets DA5110.4

From \$40-44,000 repair DA5130.4

Reserve adjusted from \$70,000 to \$100,000

Close public hearing  
Motion CM Mortenson Second CW Odell  
Vote 5 Yes 0 No

2. Update Town Solar Solstice numbers-  
There are **46** customers (including the town) signed up for solar farms with **58** properties.  
There are an additional **33** residents who have reached out but not yet signed up.

**REVIEW OF PUBLIC COMMENT ON NEW BUSINESS (Email/Zoom  
Comment)**

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**MONTHLY BUSINESS SECTION**

1. Review of September 2020 Minutes for Errors/Clarifications **Resolution 2020-40 Approve September 2020 Meeting Minutes and posting of any completed Committee minutes.**  
Motion CM Mortenson second CW Martini  
Vote 5 Yes 0 No
2. Bill Review of Non-Recurring items- **Resolution 2020-41 to approve September 2020 bills (done by digital abstract review) for payment.**
3. Motion CM Mortenson second CW Martini  
Vote 5 Yes 0 No
4. Highway Superintendent Comments/Report-Read and Filed
5. Comments of Code Enforcement Officer-Read and Filed
6. Clerk Reports-Read and Filed
7. Assessor Comments-The two small claims and Article 7 Assessment Cases have been settled.
8. Supervisors report - update on County matters as applicable.

**REVIEW OF PUBLIC COMMENT ON OLD BUSINESS (Email/Zoom/Live  
Comment)**

No Public Comment

**MEETING ADJOURNED BY RESOLUTION OF THE GALLATIN TOWN BOARD**